

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: ASBESTOS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

This document relates to:

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|                   | : | CIVIL ACTION |
| 02-4363 RONEY     | : | NO. MDL 875  |
| 02-4409 HAMMOND   | : |              |
| 02-4410 GRESH     | : |              |
| 02-4411 GEARINGER | : |              |
| 02-4413 BRASSILL  | : |              |
| 02-4414 FYE       | : |              |
| 02-4415 SEARFOSS  | : |              |
| 02-4416 SMITH     | : |              |
| 02-4479 SMALL     | : |              |
| 02-4480 MEYER     | : |              |
| 02-4608 BINDER    | : |              |
| 02-4658 BINDER    | : |              |
| 02-4659 BOULOUS   | : |              |
| 02-4730 NEES      | : |              |
| 02-4753 CUTHBERT  | : |              |
| 02-4754 WILLIAMS  | : |              |
| 02-4841 BROWN     | : |              |
| 02-5164 WHELAN    | : |              |
| 02-5165 MENTZER   | : |              |
| 02-5317 MCELHINEY | : |              |
| 02-5318 DELGAUDIO | : |              |
| 02-5319 WAGNER    | : |              |
| 02-5891 WALSH     | : |              |
| 02-5892 BRAUN     | : |              |
| 02-5893 WAGNER    | : |              |
| 02-5894 DELGADIO  | : |              |

O R D E R

The Court having been advised that the issues raised in each of these actions are also presently pending before the Honorable District Court Judge Alfred Wolin. Judge Wolin has been specially designated to sit in the District of Delaware and preside over these matters. Further, the Judge has set a schedule and will proceed appropriately. In the interest of judicial economy and for a prompt resolution of all outstanding issues this Court will hold its action in abeyance and await the ruling by the Bankruptcy Court.

**IT IS THEREFORE THE ORDER OF THIS COURT** that all pending motions for abstention and remand are denied without prejudice at this time with leave to renew at a later date. The cases are administratively dismissed, subject to reinstatement following the determination of the bankruptcy issues by Judge Wolin and any subsequent appeals thereto.

Done this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

BY THE COURT

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Charles R. Weiner, SJ